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PENNSYLVANIA POLITICS.

A RENEGADE RESIGNS BECAUSE LINCOLN'S PROCLAMATION IS READ. EDITOR OF THE TRIBUNE ABOUT TO RETIRE. NEWS & C.

(Special correspondence)

The past week has been a most eventful one. The contest of Mr. S. B. Gibson for legislative honors from the 7th legislative district, of this city, which a few weeks seems to have been assured to him, has ended disastrously. That your readers may understand the facts in the case, I will briefly state them, one of the first duties of the next legislature which meets once in two years, will be to re-district the state. This ward has two representatives at present, by the apportionment it will have but one. The colored citizens of the ward feeling that the present would be the only opportunity of receiving recognition placed Stephen B. Gibson in the field as their candidate. The gentleman named at a public meeting accepted the nomination in a brilliant speech. Nothing could be said as to his fitness, he was a native of the city, had graduated with high honors from Lincoln University, and was at the time named a teacher at West Chester. Mr. Gibson and his friends had no money to push his canvass, but what he lacked in this respect was more than made up by the enthusiasm of his friends. It was decided by the bosses that he must be defeated. The fact was sent forth to ward leaders, and to place holders that if they desired favor in the future from Quay McGranes & Co., they must carry their divisions or precincts against Gibson. And strange as it may seem, men who stand high in the social world, men who are constantly clamoring that the race should be recognized, were among the foremost in obeying the mandate of the bosses. The rabble whose votes are necessary were bought for from 50 cents to a dollar, which was the high-st price. The result was Mr. Gibson succeeded in only carrying 8 divisions, but to succeed he should have carried 13 divisions. The

nominees set up by the bosses are A. K. Boyer, a lawyer and Tom Spratt a rum seller. A meeting of the friends of Mr. Gibson to express their indignation, at the way he was treated by these autocrats was held Friday night at Liberty Hall, the result of which will be to defeat the ticket thus set up and to give Quay McGranes a lesson they will not readily forget. It is a well known fact that these men state openly, we puny niggers where we want get together but they must not aspire to places when white men should go. Resolutions were also passed at this meeting, to defeat the judicial ticket headed by Judge Briggs. The opposition to Briggs is that he resigned his seat in the city council, because the emancipation proclamation of Abraham Lincoln was read therein. A committee was also appointed to take into consideration the nomination of an independent ticket for the legislature. Another similar fight is being carried on across the river. There the principal colored men have brought out one of their number for the legislature, his name is W. S. Darr, and present Justice of the Peace in two districts they have carried the primary boards which are necessary steps toward nomination. The Philadelphia Tribune is on the market, the proprietor and editor, the genial Chris Perry, is about to retire from the journalistic field.

The next important event is the celebration to be held here next week by the G. U. O. of O. F. In point of number it will surpass the Masonic centennial held here a few years ago. The chief interest centers in who will succeed the present S. C. V. Each fellow dares to exceed himself; candid one of the points in the contest. The Ohio delegation has a candidate for secretary, Dave Bowser's place. Matthews also, of this city is after Bowser's scalp. Tom Forrester of Richmond, Va., is said to be slated for his old place, while T. Chester is to be opposed by the Louisiana and southern delegates. K. D. Venning is in town basking in the smiles of the fair sex. Geo. Boliver left yesterday on a two weeks' trip to your city. Dilugn Parrish, a wealthy quaker has by will bequeathed to the Old Folk's Home \$1,000, and to the Colored Orphan Asylum the same sum. Mrs. Young and son of your city are here the guests of Mrs. Jordan.

THE VIRGINIA CANVASS.

Hampton, Va. Sept., 22nd. Marshall Parks was nominated in this town on the 15th inst. by the Democratic party. Mr. Geo. E. Bouden the Republican candidate will be in town today and the canvass will then be opened on the Peninsula, where the fight for a colored candidate was hardest. On tomorrow Mr. Parks will be in Hampton, our town, and then money will be put in circulation towards securing his election. The convention which nominated Mr. Parks, equaled if not excelled any thing which the democrats called Mahones Negro pow wow meeting. Your correspondent has an article which he considers too long and would set before the public too clearly the fact that the greed of office brings the F. F. V's, of Virginia beneath the dignity of honorable gentlemen.

The G. U. O. of Odd Fellows of Virginia meets in convention to day in Hampton, composed of delegates from the state Lodges. The day will be spent in a grand parade supported by the local Lodges ending with a banquet and supper this evening.

The Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute will open Oct. 4th. An increased attendance is expected, a number of changes have been made among the teachers. Gen. Armstrong is improving gradually in health after a long and severe illness. The health of the county and town is good, so the doctors have plenty idle time to read up.

SOME NEGRO CHARACTERISTICS.

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Being unlettered the Negro was criticised as unworthy of the citizenship with which he has been recently clothed. Men recently favored an educational qualification which would cut him off from participating in government. Why was this discrimination made? Why is it not now made by the southern states that have the power to legislate thus? "Aye there's the rub." Such a qualified suffrage would practically disfranchise fifteen out of every one hundred southern white voters who cannot now write their own names. White men! in the blaze of the 19th century—native Americans—belonging to a race which has never been denied the right nor the opportunity of mental culture since St. Augustine, the African missionary, carried the torch of wisdom and knowledge to Britain. If among the men of a race so favored fifteen per cent in the south are illiterate, way no excuse be tolerated for the illiteracy of a race that has had to contend with every obstacle which the ingenuity of man could invent to liberate the mind from the fetters of ignorance? But the colored youths of the land are now flocking to the school houses which dot the hills and valleys of the south and an army of six thousand teachers is engaged in the work of spreading the light of a Christian civilization even to the darkest corner. By and by the cloud will be lifted and all will be well.

It has been sportively remarked of him that the Negro betrays great moral weakness when confronted by the chickens, usually, roost high in certain localities frequented after dark by him. And this inclination for which he is arraigned before the bar of public opinion would be quite damaging were it not for the plea entered of his general trust worthy character. Has he not been entrusted with the keys of the corn cribs, and smoke houses ever since he has been so pressing invited to live in the south? When his master was on the northern frontier contending on the plains of battle for mastery of this republic, did he not guard with the honor and integrity of a knight errant, the homes and firesides, the women and the children and during all that time was he ever charged or even suspected of violating the confidence and trust reposed in him as the guardian of southern homes?

As for his bravery and devotion to his country and flag, go search his military record and whether in the war of the Revolution, the war of 1812 or in the late war between the states it will be found that his skill, valor and patriotism have shed luster on the pages of military history. Ask concerning the engagements at Forts Wagner and Pillow. Call up the 54th Massachusetts, the 11th Rhode Island Battery or the array of colored soldiers and there is not to be found a traitor, a deserter nor a coward.

They say he is ambitious; that he thinks there is nothing in the world too good for him; that he is fond of distinction and titles of honor; that he would not decline a nomination to the presidency of the United States by either party. This may all be true. It is rather creditable to him that he should aim high, such a disposition is much to be preferred to the opposite trait of the swine whose ambition is never exalted above the domain of his swill trough. As sparks fly upward so it is natural for the mind to aspire to the realm of independence and power, and is an ennobling trait in whomsoever it is found even if he be black.

The Negro has one immense drawback. He is, as a rule, too free handed and possessed of a na-

ture as generous as the climate in which he lives. With what reckless profusion he scatters his earnings. Now he patronizes the Delmonico's and Worth's, and railroad kings of the world. Verily the dressmakers and tailors, the cafes and excursion plotters, all the whole range of eating and drinking and merry-making and money squandering places and the tinsel and show of the world find too readily a liberal patronage in the Negro. How can he ever become a Rothschild or a Vanderbilt at such a rate. "Put money in thy purse" ought to be his watch word for a hundred years to come.

THE PROHIBITION PARTY IN MARYLAND.

LAWYER DAVIS TO OPEN THE LIT-ERARY SEASON, NEWS & C.

(Bee Correspondent.)

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 30th.

A comparatively new thing, under the sun is the Prohibition party of Maryland as organized at the present time. A kind of nominal organization has existed for some time but this year it is assuming some what alarming proportions. A state convention was recently held in this city which nominated candidates for congress and set on foot what promises to be a vigorous campaign. The party in this state, as elsewhere, seems disposed to recognize the claims of all all classes of citizens regardless of color and as a consequence, is making inroads in the rank of the colored vote. The Prohibitions have made what they know to be a great accession in securing the support of the Rev. Harvey Johnson, pastor of the North Street Baptist church. Mr. Johnson is an indefatigable worker in all causes involving the interest of the race and is known to have the largest personal following of any colored man in Baltimore. He has a church membership of any kind. During his absence this summer they increased his salary from twelve to fifteen hundred dollars, but he refused on his return, to take the additional three hundred dollars, because he felt that he would be imposing on the generosity of his willing congregation. To his efforts is largely due the opening of the bar to colored lawyers, and he is known to be a great acquisition to any cause which he may espouse.

The Monumental and Scientific Literary Association resumed its meetings on Tuesday evening, the 28th inst. This association grew into great popularity here during the one year of its existence, and its success was attested by crowded houses during the whole season. The board of managers promise increased facilities for the coming season, and this board is composed of such men as Rev. U. S. Weaver, Mr. W. U. S. Barnes and others who know how to conduct such an enterprise on a prosperous and successful basis. The opening paper was presented by Mr. J. S. Davis of the Baltimore Bar, who read the paper which provoked much discussion at the last regular meeting in June.

The Camp meeting season has about closed, and as usual the revival meetings have been transferred to the Methodist churches in the city. A very successful revival is now in progress at Sharp street church under the pastor, Rev. E. W. S. Peck.

The annual "Harvest Home" of the Episcopal church took place Tuesday evening. Rev. C. B. Perry, the genial pastor has returned from his summer vacation.

Mr. David D. Dickson, a prominent young business man of this city is a member of the present grand jury.

Dr. H. G. Brown is on a lecturing tour in Penn.

Misses Laura and Sallie Mason have returned from a three months stay in the rural districts.

Misses Mamie and Victoria Hunt have gone to their schools in the country.

Business is on the increase and the city is assuming its autumn aspect.

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